

Discussion Group #4 Support for Emerging Technologies

The RML is currently recruiting for a Technology Outreach Coordinator to support network member needs related to effective use of current and emerging technologies. Discussion by this group will help inform programs and activities to be developed under this new position.

Please discuss and answer the following questions with your group.

Before you start, please identify a volunteer who will present a summary of the group's feedback for general discussion at 2:00 p.m.

1. Which emerging technologies are becoming important to services for your staff, users or organization? In what ways?
2. In what ways are these (or other emerging technologies) becoming tools for outreach you want to provide to unaffiliated health professionals or members of your communities?
3. What kinds of barriers or issues are preventing you or your organization from using these emerging technologies?
4. How can the RML help support your efforts to overcome these barriers?

Examples of "emerging" technologies to enhance training, communication, or delivery of information:

- Application sharing software (such as Adobe Connect, SameTime, or SharePoint) to enhance virtual communication
- Web-based course design software (e.g Web CT or Moodle)
- Interactive instructional materials using Flash
- Video streaming and video-conferencing
- Applications for user-generated content (i.e. Wikis, Blogs)
- RSS feeds
- Wireless access for public use
- Library services linked to electronic medical records

DISCUSSION NOTES

To be added at a later date.

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